

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This bill amends Idaho Code 54-402 by clarifying the definition of "amateur combatant" to reflect that amateurs cannot be paid for being associated with an event, and by clarifying the definitions of "contest," "exhibition," "license," "matchmaker," "participant," "promoter," "sanctioning permit," and "trainer." The bill amends section 54-406 to allow the commission to establish fees for amateur athletic sanctioning organizations; to substitute the term "discipline" for "sanction" where the section uses sanction in a disciplinary context; to expand the list of nationally recognized sanctioning entities to those named and any similar nationally recognized entity approved by the commission; and to reflect that promoters and other participants in exempt events (i.e., in events held under the sanction of a commission-approved amateur sanctioning organization, rather than under the sanction of the commission itself) must nevertheless comply with specified commission law. The bill amends Idaho Code 54-408 to ensure that promoters obtain bonds and financial security before holding any event, whether or not the event is exempt. The bill amends section 54-410 to reflect that fees are required for licensure. The bill amends section 54-411 to require the promoter to pre-pay \$400 of the total event tax, with any remaining tax to be paid post-event based on gross receipts; to limit the number of event attendees to the number of tickets issued, and to clarify that the commission only may make end of fiscal year distributions in support of amateur athletics if the commission has a positive occupational licensing fund balance. The bill amends section 54-413 to clarify that the licensee at issue is the promoter. The bill amends section 54-416 to specify that licenses are not required for persons who participate in certain exempt events (e.g., school events, events sponsored by nationally recognized associations such as USA Boxing or the AAU, and military events), and that licenses are required for participants in other exempt events. The bill amends 54-419 to make it consistent with the change to 54-411 and to clarify that the promoter is the licensee at issue, and to add that a delayed or inaccurate statement of event is grounds for discipline. The bill amends section 54-420 to ensure consistency with other changes.

FISCAL NOTE

This bill would have a positive fiscal impact on the dedicated fund for the Bureau of Occupational Licenses. The amount of the impact will be determined by the number of events held. The fees charged are designed to cover the costs of regulating Athletic Commission events.

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